

**City of Southmayd, Texas**  
Minutes of January 20, 2026  
Regular City Council Meeting

The City Council of the City of Southmayd, Texas met on this date at 6:00 p.m. for a regular City Council meeting. City Council members present were Mayor Debra Thompson, Mayor Pro Tem Michael Horstman, Briana Monroe, Matthew Tanner, Mark Everett and Teresa Miller. City Staff present was City Secretary Amanda McGill, Chief Laughlin and Lieutenant Aguirre.

**Agenda**

**A. CALL TO ORDER & Declaration of a Quorum:**

Mayor Thompson called the City Council meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., January 20, 2026.

**B. PLEDGE TO FLAG and INVOCATION:**

Councilmember Tanner led the pledge to flag and invocation.

**C. WELCOME GUESTS:**

All guests were welcomed.

**D. PUBLIC FORUM:**

No public forum.

**E. PRESENTATIONS AND RECOGNITION: *(No Action)***

- Mayor Thompson recognized all employees and volunteers who helped with Shop with a Cop and those who donated money and/or their time for the meals delivered to residents during Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Mayor Pro Tem Horstman made a motion to add Resolution 158 to the end of the agenda regarding the application through TCOG for the Body-Worn Camera Program. Councilmember Everett seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

**F. CONSENT AGENDA & STAFF REPORTS**

*\*Consent agenda items are routine in nature and may be acted upon in one motion without discussion unless a Council Member or a citizen requests a specific item be discussed and voted on separately.*

1. **Discuss, consider, and possible action on approval of the City Council minutes for November 18, 2025, Regular Meeting.**

Councilmember Everett made a motion to accept the consent agenda and staff reports with the required changes. Councilmember Monroe seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

## **G. REGULAR AGENDA**

- 1. Discuss, consider, and possible action on presentation of the November and December 2025 financial statements and report of accounts by Joe Madden, CPA.**

Mayor Pro Tem Horstman made a motion to accept the November and December 2025 financial statements. Councilmember Miller seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

- 2. Discuss, consider, and possible action on the water interconnection update.**

Discussion only. No action taken.

- 3. Discuss, consider, and possible action on approval of Resolution 157 regarding the application through TCOG for a new police vehicle.**

Councilmember Everett made a motion to accept Resolution 157 allowing the Southmayd Police Department to submit the application through TCOG for a new police vehicle. Mayor Pro Tem Horstman seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

- 4. Discuss, consider, and possible action on upgrading approximately 1350 ft 2" main water line to 4" water main line in alley between Simpson and John Fielder by McKinney Operation and Excavation in the amount of \$60,750.00.**

Mayor Pro Tem Horstman made a motion to table the upgrading of the main water line to obtain two (2) additional estimates. Councilmember Everett seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

- 5. Discuss, consider, and possible action on purchasing water tender for the Southmayd Fire Department from Metro Fire Apparatus Specialists, Inc for \$506,761.00.**

Councilmember Everett made a motion to table the purchase of the water tender for the Southmayd Fire Department until additional quotes can be obtained for a 1500-gallon and 2000-gallon water tender from two (2) additional companies. Councilmember Monroe seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

- 6. Discuss and approve financing the new water tender with Lamar National Bank.**

Mayor Pro Tem Horstman made a motion to table the financing for the new water tender until a water tender has been selected for purchase. Councilmember Miller seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

- 7. Discuss, consider, and possible action on the generators for city wells.**

Councilmember Everett made a motion to accept the estimate for the generators not including the Little Simpson Well located at Simpson and Aztec putting the approved amount at approx. \$132,000.00 with a budget amendment. Mayor Pro Tem Horstman seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

**8. Discuss, consider, and possible action on policy change for cashing in vacation time.**

Councilmember Monroe made a motion to table the policy change on cashing in vacation time until the February City Council meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Horstman seconded the motion, and the motion passed four (4) to one (1).

**9. Discuss, consider, and possible action on additional devices to be added to the Active Alert System.**

Mayor Pro Tem Horstman made a motion to approve seven (7) additional devices to be added to the Active Alert System in the amount of \$16.20 per device with a budget amendment. Councilmember Monroe seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

**10. Discuss, consider, and possible action on the creation of a Fire Department Auxiliary.**

Councilmember Everett made a motion to table the creation of a Fire Department Auxiliary until Fire Chief Thetford and those who wish to create the auxiliary can be in attendance. Councilmember Miller seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

**11. Discuss, consider, and possible action on approval of the Order of Elections for the General Election held on May 2, 2026.**

Mayor Pro Tem Horstman made a motion to table the approval of the Order of Elections until the dates and times have been updated with the understanding this may involve a special meeting to meet the Secretary of State deadlines. Councilmember Miller seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

**12. Discuss, consider, and possible action on approval of Resolution 158 regarding the application through TCOG for Body-Worn Camera Program.**

Councilmember Everett made a motion to approve Resolution 158 allowing the Southmayd Police Department to submit the application through TCOG for the Body-Worn Camera Program. Mayor Pro Tem Horstman seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

**H. ADJOURN**

Councilmember Everett moved to adjourn. Councilmember Tanner seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:31 p.m.



Debra Thompson, Mayor

ATTEST:



Amanda McGill, City Secretary  
Approved: February 17, 2026